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Inhabitants of East Flores
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On Timor, for instance, the old-fashioned type of house is round, while the newer type is oval, and the houses of more prominent people and princes are square. [Illustration appears here.] According to Grijzen (1), the houses in North Tetoen (Béloe) in particular are oval in form.

1. Mededeelingen omtrent Béloe of Midden-Timor [Information concerning Béloe or Central Timor], 1904, p. 44.

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212 one could read or write. In fact, this goes for all of Manggarai. Everyone here speaks
191 the local language. About fifty per cent of the people here speak Malay, and most of those who are not able to speak it are oldsters. No one can speak Dutch or English here.

212 Only those who have gone to school can read
204 and write. No one reads Bentara, a mission
197 paper (although the guru does). Two people read the sheet which the mission puts out for Manggarai. It is called Palita.

212 The only books here are religious books and song books (and books in the school?). Note: I saw many children with their school "tackle" hanging on a string around their necks. They wear them on their backs. They are a piece of chalk stuck in a bamboo, a ruler, and a bamboo with a wet cloth. These are for writing on slate.

[651] The children and other literates write in
[217] order to "keep books." Thus there are the "tax books" showing how much each person must pay in palm wine, etc., to the tuan tanah. These are written for him. All sorts of transactions are "recorded," e.g., prices, borrowing, gifts for such things as marriage feasts, etc. This is brand new. There is practically no other form of writing done here.

185 Everyone is eager to learn here. The only
191 language other than their own which is taught here is Malay, but in class four they are starting to learn Dutch, taught by the guru who was in a seminary for two years.

207 There are no radios here. Once a pastor in
546 1941 brought a movie projector here, and many people saw movies then. That's all.

412 There are many new tools here, for example, shovels, drills, and axes. They are even able
178 to make some of these now. There is much more
415 use of iron tools and utensils than was formerly the case.

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415 the case. Dishes and forks and spoons have
178 come in to some extent. Formerly they used wooden things, gourds, etc. only. Kitchen stuff is now to be found in the area. Terrac-
241 ing is new. Irrigated rice fields came in
178 only twenty years ago. The use of buffaloes in agriculture and the plow are very recent (five years ago). All the people are still farmers, however.

436 Today the people have much more money than
178 they had, for example, twenty years ago. Fifty years ago there was no money here at all.

342 Formerly there were no tin roofs or nails.
178 Now there are a few. Houses are different in style. In quantity most of the stuff is not changed.

285 Rattan baskets for clothing are no longer
415 made. They prefer wooden containers. However, they still make mats and baskets. The women make these, and the men make their plaited songko.

286 There is no spinning or weaving. This is
784 taboo except in the northeast quarter of Manggarai (Coolhaas is incomplete on this) and Todo-Pongkor and Labuan Hadji. It is beginning to come in in the west.

323 Pottery is made in a few kampongs (Puruk,
784 Mungges, Bolong). This is taboo except in these places. The penalty is the same as for weaving: bad crops, illness, etc. In Pongkor, only one kampong can make pottery, and only one in Todo. Usually one or two kampongs can make pottery in an area.

326 Smiths are new. There was no iron work here
178 before. Formerly they had to buy instruments made from iron. Now they have equipment to do some forms of iron work in Rai and a few other places. Todo-Pongkor has had smithing for perhaps three hundred years (they brought it in evidently). It is not taboo, but they just

1 [See bibliography, cat. 113 --Analyst]